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SUBJ: LENINGRAD RESIDENCE CHANDELIERS

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1. IN CONVERSATION JUNE 25, SOVIETS PROPOSED (AD REFERENDUM) THAT WE MAKE ONE-TIME PAYMENT FOR USE OF CHANDELIERS DURING CURRENT LEASE PERIOD EXPIRING JUNE 30, 1977 AND REWRITE LEASE FOR NEXT 5 YEAR PERIOD TO INCLUDE RENTAL COST OF CHANDELIERS IN OVERALL RENT. PROPOSED RENTAL FEE WOULD BE 8.3 PER CENT OF SOVIET BOOK VALUE ON CHANDELIERS, OR RUBLES 746 PER YEAR BY OUR CALCULATIONS, OR ABOUT DOLS 1080 AT CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE.

2. AS WE WILL NOT HAVE FIRM SOVIET PROPOSAL PRIOR TO END OF FISCAL YEAR, AND THUS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO USE FUNDS FOR DESIGNATED PURPOSE, WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S URGENT CONSIDERATION OF ALLOWING POST TO USE FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF DESPERATELY NEEDED RUGS AND FURNITURE FOR REPRESENTATIONAL AREAS OF RESIDENCE.
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